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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

HIDEKI KOBAYASHI

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EXAMINER: TARA, C. M.

SERIAL NO: 09/818,612

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 3623

FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
AIDING PRODUCT LIFE CYCLE  
PLANNING AND COMPUTER  
PROGRAM PRODUCT THEREFOR

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

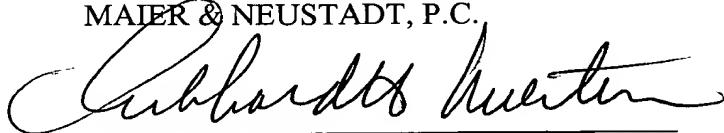
SIR:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 18, 2006 attached hereto is Applicant's Letter Submitting Replacement Drawing Sheet(s) together with the two replacement drawings sheets which are now properly identified in the top margin as being a --Replacement Sheet--.

Consequently, in view of the corrections to the drawings it is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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